

## The Bamberg Herald

Thursday, July 1, 1915.

### SHORT LOCALS.

#### Brief Items of Interest Throughout the Town and County.

The friends of Mr. J. J. Brabham will be pleased to know that he has about recovered from his recent serious illness.

Miss Jennie Graham graduated on June 24th from the University of Michigan. Miss Graham is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Graham, of this city.

Poles are being erected along the line of the B. & W. railroad for the purpose of putting up a telegraph line between Bamberg and Ehrhardt, to connect with the line at Ehrhardt.

The annual Sunday-school picnic will be held at Springtown church on July 3rd. A good speaker is expected to make the principal address. The public is invited to be present and carry well-filled baskets.

In the write-up of the flour mill last week, The Herald omitted to say that the equipment included a grist mill. A fine grist mill has been installed with the flour mill, and is turning out a splendid grade of corn meal.

Next Monday will be observed as the regular July 4th holiday, the 4th this year being Sunday. The post-office will keep Sunday hours, opening after the mails are put up. Those having business at the postoffice will bear this in mind.

Mail service between Bamberg and Ehrhardt was started on Monday last. The first pouch brought in quite a quantity of mail, showing the convenience the new service will be to both places. The mail arrives about 12:10, and closes at 1:10.

The annual picnic at St. John's church was held last Friday. There was a large crowd present. Hon. B. D. Carter, of Bamberg, made the principal address. This picnic is always the occasion of large assembly of people of the community, and is greatly enjoyed.

Mr. J. J. Brabham will move his store from Railroad avenue within the next few days to the store formerly occupied by Delk's market, and the store vacated by Mr. Brabham will be occupied by Mr. G. L. Kinard. Delk's market has been moved to the store next door to Bamberg's stables.

Notary R. B. Still "got into the swing" Monday night and married a couple at his residence on Carlisle street. Quite a crowd congregated to witness the ceremony, and Mr. Still quite lived up to his reputation as a knot tier. The married ones are Martin Mingo and Leila Gloster, colored.

Supervisor McMillan states that the county commissioners expect to erect a large barn on the court house property in the early fall. At present the county has no barn to house grain and produce in, and this has been found to be expensive to the county, as corn and other foodstuffs cannot be bought at present in large quantities.

Sheriff Ray went down to Colleton county Monday and brought back to Bamberg Sam Hollman, who escaped from the gang here several weeks ago. Hollman was serving a five-years' term on the gang in this county and lacked about six months of completing his term when he escaped. He was located at the Cypress Lumber camp in Colleton county a few days ago and the authorities were notified.

#### Junior League.

On Tuesday evening the Junior league held a business meeting. An interesting report was given by the delegates to the league conference at Columbia. The Junior league pledged \$25 for charities this coming year. After the conclusion of the business the league benediction closed the meeting. Everyone is cordially invited to attend the next meeting on Tuesday evening.

#### Morris Rich Hurt in Accident.

His friends in Bamberg will learn with much regret of a serious accident near Blackville to Mr. Morris Rich, son of Mr. Isadore Rich, who formerly resided at Denmark. The young man was blowing up stumps with an explosive. When he had lighted the fuse, he ran to escape the explosion, but stopped too near the stump. When the charge exploded, a part of the splintered stump struck Mr. Rich on the head, and it is stated that he will lose one eye. He also sustained other serious injuries. Mr. Rich was hurried to Philadelphia for treatment.

One of his brothers was killed at Orangeburg last year in an automobile accident. Mr. Rich is well known in Denmark and Blackville, and his many friends hope that he will have an early recovery.

Special—every Wednesday 6 reels at Thienel Theatre, 10 & 15c.—adv.

### UNFAVORABLE REPORT MADE.

By Engineers on Proposed South Edisto River Improvement.

An unfavorable report has been made by the engineers who made a preliminary survey of the South Edisto river from the main stream to a point near Springfield. This unfavorable report was based on the fact that this improvement would be of no effect until after the main river shall have been improved. As yet there has been no congressional appropriation for this purpose.

Congressman Byrnes states that he intends to appeal from the decision of the engineer, Major Youngberg, to the board of engineers for rivers and harbors, and that he is now arranging with them to personally appear and argue the appeal or to file an argument setting forth his reasons for asking that a favorable report be made.

The report of the engineer affords no surprise to the people of Bamberg, as it was pretty well understood that the engineer would not favor this project unless the main stream is improved. What Mr. Byrnes is working for is to have a favorable report, so that when the main stream is improved, as it doubtless will be in the near future, the improvement will extend on up South Edisto river. The engineer's report on the North Edisto river improvement was likewise unfavorable, but Congressman Lever secured a reversal of the report.

Mr. Byrnes has worked hard on the South Edisto river improvement and there is very little doubt but that he will be able to have the engineer's report reversed. The following circular letter has been mailed to those interested in the project:

"War department, United States engineer office, custom house, Charleston, S. C., June 2, 1915.

"1. It having come to the notice of the undersigned that you have expressed an interest in the pending proposition for the improvement of the South fork of Edisto river to a point opposite the city of Springfield, you are hereby informed that the preliminary examination of the locality named, with a view to certain improvements therein, authorized by the act of congress approved March 4, 1915, has been made, and that the report submitted thereon is unfavorable to the improvement being undertaken at this time.

"2. The basis for such unfavorable report is, briefly, that improvement of this fork will be of no effect until after the main river shall have been improved; that the river itself is so obstructed by brush, trees, snags, and sandbars, as to make clearing and subsequent maintenance of a navigable channel a very expensive undertaking; that the river is so shallow, narrow, and crooked, that only small boats with low cargo carrying capacity could make any use of the river after it were cleared; that distances to seaports by river are very much in excess of distances by rail; that there are now no boat landings, no towns and no trading centers on the river, and that it would be very difficult to establish such in competition with existing towns on the railroads; that the territory is well supplied with railroads, and freight stations are numerous; that freight rates are regulated by federal and State railway commissions, and finally that a boat line would be under such disadvantage as to time, distance, and uncertainty of schedule, insurance rates and transfer charges at terminal points, that it could scarcely hope to compete with existing facilities.

"3. Copy of the report may be seen at this office, or information in regard thereto may be had on application. \* \* \* You are informed that this report will be reviewed by the board of engineers for rivers and harbors, a permanent body sitting at Washington, to which all examination and survey reports of this character are referred, and if you have any statements, facts, or arguments, concerning the necessity for the proposed improvement you are advised to present the same to the board of engineers, either orally or in writing. Written communications should be addressed to the board of engineers for rivers and harbors, Southern building, Washington, D. C., and should be mailed in time to reach the board within four (4) weeks from the date of this notice. If oral hearings are desired dates for the same may be arranged for by correspondence with the board.

"4. You are requested to communicate the foregoing to any persons known by you to be interested in the improvement, and who, not being known to this office, do not receive a copy of this communication.

"G. A. YOUNGBERG,

"Major, corps of engineers."

Don't miss the game with Williston Thursday. This is the second of the series, the first being won by Williston, 6 to 4. There will be 300 visitors in town to see the game and we ask the home people to come out in full force.—adv.

Read The Herald, \$1.50 per year.

### Chain Gang Moves to Olar.

The county chain gang camp has been moved to near Olar. It is stated that the gang will be kept at this point for about five or six weeks, after which it will be moved to the 2-mile creek and Ehrhardt section. At present the gang is working on the road between Olar and Ehrhardt, and is putting in some excellent work. The gang is being replenished rapidly with hands, thirteen new ones being added this week, and one escaped convict being returned to the gang. Supervisor McMillan is engaged in making some good roads for the county now.

In addition to the road work, a number of bridges have recently been repaired, and the floating gangs are kept busy repairing roads. Insofar as it is possible all commutation road tax is used on the roads of the townships where it is paid in.

#### To Correspondents.

The Herald will be glad to have a correspondent in every community of the county. Nothing advertises a community so well as to have the local news printed in the county newspaper. This newspaper gladly prints all legitimate news sent in. If there is no one in your community sending in the news every week, take it upon yourself to see that the happenings are sent to The Herald next week. Remember we have plenty of space for news. In fact news comes first with us. We will make room for your letter if there is news in it. All news letters should be sent in every Saturday, or Monday at the latest. Letters reaching us Tuesday or Wednesday may not have time to be put into type, as the paper is printed Wednesday afternoon. If you want to write up the news of your section, drop us a line, and we will provide plenty of stationery.

#### Riley-DesPortes.

At high noon on Saturday, June 26th, Miss Ruth Riley, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Riley, of this place, was married to Mr. W. S. DesPortes, fourth and youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. DesPortes, of Ridgeway, S. C. The Rev. J. P. Whittingham, pastor of the Methodist church at Ridgeway, officiated.

The quiet home wedding was simple and beautiful and was witnessed only by the close friends and immediate members of the two families.

The bride is a young lady of rare charm and much loved by those who know her. Mr. DesPortes is a member of an old and honorable Fairfield family. He represents the Winchester Fire Arms company in North and South Carolina. Mr. and Mrs. DesPortes will make their home in Ridgeway.

#### Married Yesterday.

Tuesday morning Mr. A. W. Knight left for Newberry, where he was married on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock to Miss Caroline Elizabeth Spearman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Robertson Spearman. No invitations were issued. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Knight departed on an extensive trip through the north. They will visit Washington, New York, Niagara Falls and points in Canada before returning. On their return they will be at home in Bamberg. Mrs. Knight has visited in Bamberg, and has quite a number of friends here. She was one of the teachers at Blackville last term. Mr. and Mrs. Knight will reside in the residence formerly owned by Mr. Henry Copeland.

#### Tough on the Gamblers.

Sunday was an unlucky day for the gamblers in Bamberg county. Saturday Sheriff Ray received a request to come down to Embree Sunday to round up a bunch of crap shooters. Accompanied by Mr. H. W. Walker and one of the bosses at the lumber plant there, the sheriff swooned down on about thirty Africans tossing the bones. The crowd beat a hasty retreat, but four of them were not quick enough and were caught. The balance made a rush across the canal, and safely on the other side, just to make the thing interesting, poured a few pistol shots at the raiders. The sheriff's posse replied in kind, but no damage was done by either side, so far as is known. The four were sent to the gang for sixty days, and are now lending able assistance to Supervisor McMillan on the roads.

Returning from Embree, the sheriff accompanied Policeman Jennings out to the old race track, news of a party of gamblers there reaching the officers' ears. Six were caught right in the act, and were gathered in without much trouble. They were given thirty days each by the mayor.

Over 400 people in Bamberg county are using Glendale Spring water, and there is not a typhoid patient among them.—adv.

Trying to dodge work tires more men than hard labor.

### U. D. C. Meeting.

The Francis Marion Bamberg chapter, U. D. C., held its regular monthly meeting at 4:45 p. m. on June 15th, at the beautiful suburban home of Mrs. G. Frank Bamberg, the hostess.

This proved to be a very enjoyable meeting and quite an amount of business was transacted, chief among which was the election of officers for the ensuing year, resulting as follows: President, Mrs. M. E. Ayer; vice president, Mrs. H. J. Murphy; honorary vice presidents, Mrs. M. A. Bamberg, Mrs. H. J. Brabham, Sr., Mrs. H. J. Hayes, Mrs. J. T. O'Neal, Mrs. J. R. Owens, Mrs. Julia Brabham, Mrs. M. A. Adams, Mrs. C. Jones, and Mrs. Elizabeth Wright; recording secretary, Miss Mary Livingston; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. P. Jones; treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Price; historian, Mrs. Robert Black; registrar, Mrs. R. L. Risher. Six hens were contributed by the chapter members to the Confederate infirmary, Columbia, to help furnish fresh meats, which is the principal diet of the old soldiers' home.

The chapter decided to give again another year two scholarships in the Carlisle School to a boy and a girl who must be descendants of a Confederate veteran and positively unable to attend school without this help. Applications are to be sent direct to the chapter president.

Amounts were donated to Shiloh and Arlington monument funds, to the Jefferson Davis memorial fund, and to the fund for needy veterans.

The president stated that anyone having dishes of any kind misplaced at the veterans' dinner on May 10th would find them at her home.

As June is the birth month of Jefferson Davis, an interesting program on Davis and Lincoln was carried out.

A paper, "Life of Jefferson Davis," written by Mrs. E. O. Kirsch, who was unable to be present, was read by Mrs. W. P. Jones; poem, "The Birthday of Jefferson Davis," by Edith Lesing, was read by Mrs. G. F. Bamberg; "The Political Differences of Jefferson Davis and Abraham Lincoln," was read by Mrs. Harry Murphy; poem, "Abraham Lincoln Walks at Midnight," by Vachel Lindsay, was read by Mrs. Robert Black; also an interesting paper on "Reminiscences of Sherman's March Through This Section," was read by Mrs. F. B. McCrackin, the retiring historian.

Mrs. Bamberg delighted her guests with a delicious sweet course and music on the victrola, after which the chapter adjourned to meet no more until September 14th.—Contributed.

#### Missionary-Literary Social.

The Woman's Missionary society of the Methodist church was graciously and interestingly entertained on Tuesday afternoon, the twenty-second, by Mrs. B. W. Simmons, one of the most enthusiastic church workers of the town, certainly of the Methodist church, at her attractive home on Railroad avenue. The hostess was assisted by her sister, Miss Patrick. This meeting of the society took the form of a literary social. The president, Mrs. E. O. Kirsch, presided. After a Bible lesson and prayer by Dr. E. O. Watson, we sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Miss Franke Folk presided at the piano and Miss Lallah Byrd accompanied on the violin. "O Zion, Haste Thy Mission High Fulfilling" was also sung. Some business was transacted. Our superintendent of social service gave a report that encourages us somewhat. We see where we are awake and active along this line of splendid service.

Mrs. Frank Bamberg and Mrs. E. O. Kirsch are to serve on the sick committee for July.

Mrs. H. N. Folk gave us a sweet solo, "I Hear the Voice of Jesus Calling." During this time those who were to take part in an exercise, impersonating women of several different countries, got ready for the exercise, which was named "Mothers in Council."

The woman in costumes came into the hall, and took their appointed places. These were approached by a Christian Chinese, a little boy, and a missionary. Conversation from all sides took place. Many queries were put and answered. This exercise was considered impressive. The cast of characters follows: African, Mrs. Frank Bamberg; Hindu, Mrs. Joe Stokes; Chilean, Miss Madeline Watson; Japanese, Mrs. John Jones; Chinese, Mrs. Laurie McMillan; Persian, Mrs. R. B. Still; the Christian Chinese was impersonated by Mrs. E. O. Kirsch, in the place of Mrs. W. P. Jones, who was providentially detained at home; Harold and Francis Simmons, sons of two of the above women; and the missionary, Miss Bessie Lee Black.

Refreshments both dainty and delightful, consisting of a salad course and ices were dispensed. After a while spent in a social way, the number of women who were present went to their homes feeling that "it was good to have been there."

A MEMBER.

### THE OUTLOOK.

By the Observer.

It is a very interesting thing to talk with people. Ever try it? About the only thing I would like about loafing would be to talk to people. I like to join a group occasionally and listen to the expressions of opinion. They are so varied. And some of them contain so much or so little, and some contain nothing. Nevertheless they are interesting. It is a rare thing that people of different sympathies can see things the same way. They think the way they sympathize. For instance, you can stand in the postoffice nearly any morning while the mail is being put up and hear our good German friends or German sympathizers tell in vivid manner how the Germans are going to "mop up" with the allied forces. But the pro-Germans won't talk long before somebody will speak up and contradict every bit of it with the assertion that the Germans have no chance whatever. Just depends on the viewpoint. Truth is none of us reason things out much. We just believe things are going to happen as we think they ought.

Well, we all have to "hand it" to the Germans for being scrappers. Whether we like it or not they are fighting. We would like mighty well for them, or the other side—either one will suit us—to quit scrapping so hard, so that one side could beat in the fight and end it all. But I am not expressing any sympathy. I am strictly "neutral." In other words I am an American, South Carolinian, Bambergian, and I don't give a hang who gets beat, just so they will let us alone over here. And I think there ought to be more neutrality among our people—at least less criticism of those who do not think as we do. Heard of a fellow the other day who ought to know better saying our government at Washington was a set of—beg pardon, I would not even repeat it. But such expressions should not be allowed. They stir up ill-feelings.

Personally I think the Washington authorities are the best in the world. We have kept out of war, and there is less likelihood of war than in some time. Suppose, if there is war, we just put those crazy fellows who knock and criticize all the time at the front.

Enough of the war stuff. We have to read too much of that in the dailies before we can get to the State news. That is one thing I like about the county newspapers. I don't have to wade through so much war news. They have not enough space, and no inclination I am sure, to print much of it. A two-inch paragraph, which is a big plenty, tells of the fall of Przemyśl, while in a daily it takes a couple of columns to tell it. The war has had one good effect on America, though; that is it has caused our farmers to plant a large crop of wheat. I noticed the other day in a bulletin that the acreage in this State was about 246,000 acres, and that reports from 13 counties indicated a yield in those counties of over 600,000 bushels of wheat. Fine business. At the same ratio, we should have made this year about a half million barrels of flour in the State. Let the Westerners keep the price of flour up if they wish? What care we?

I am told that a lot of money is sent out of Bamberg for things that ought to be bought here. Well, that is the case in many places, but it should not be. Bamberg has plenty of good stores. I know it for I see them advertised in The Herald. Perhaps there are good ones that don't advertise, too. But, as I rely on my county newspaper to tell me about Bamberg, I generally suppose that all the good stores advertise. You know it is the easiest thing in the world to praise, and it is not at all easy to tell people of their faults. I don't knock—don't think that. What I say is always said in the friendliest sort of manner in an effort to help and not hinder. Now, I am not going to "knock" Bamberg's stores, but I want to relate what a lady told me the other day. She saw another lady wearing an especially pretty pair of shoes. You know the ladies will notice in spite of the deuce what the other feminine kind wear. Perhaps the men do that too. Anyway, she wanted to know where they came from, what store in Bamberg. It was not pleasant for her to learn that they were not bought in Bamberg. Now, I am not saying, mind you, that there are not pretty shoes in Bamberg. To my way of thinking there are several stores here selling perfectly exquisite shoes for the ladies, but if the ladies want shoes that are not sold here, it seems to me that the stores should behoove themselves to get the shoes they like. For we all love the ladies. Ladies first. If they want pretty shoes,

### Base Ball.

Bamberg lost two close, hard-fought games in the last week, the first to Williston, in Williston, by a score of 6 to 4, and the other to Waltherboro, in Bamberg, 4 to 2. Both games were good, and but for the breaks against them, the locals would have won both. Bamberg has a good team, and will give the town some good base ball during the summer. The next game is with Williston, Thursday, July 1st, and it is hoped the fans will turn out. A fast game is promised. In Williston there were over six hundred paid admissions to the game. In other towns the ladies come out in large numbers.

#### Bamberg-Barnwell League.

At a meeting of representatives from Bamberg, Williston, Denmark and Barnwell, held Monday in Barnwell, it was decided to organize a league, consisting of the towns mentioned. The organization will be perfected at a meeting to be held at Bamberg on Thursday.

It is expected that the various towns will put out fast teams and a high grade of base ball played. A schedule of 18 games has been arranged.

#### Bamberg Loses Game.

The fastest and most sensational game of baseball ever witnessed in Williston was played off Friday afternoon between Bamberg and Williston. The Williston boys were victorious by a score of 6 to 4. It was a tie score, 1 to 1, up to the sixth inning, when Bamberg scored another and remaining so until the eighth, when Bamberg scored another. At this point the crisis came, when Mitchell, for Williston, led off with a two-bagger to right, followed by Beard, Gooch, Browning and Willis, each getting a two-base hit in succession, scoring five runs, Rogers having singled to left. The features of the game were the playing of Mitchell, Beard, Kennedy and Browning for the locals and Rentz and Cooner for Bamberg.

Batteries: Williston, Smith and Quattlebaum; Bamberg, Rowell, Bamberg and Cooner.

#### Will Conduct Tourist Party.

Dr. and Mrs. George F. Hair left Bamberg Wednesday night for Nashville, Tenn., where they will join a tourist party on a special train for the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco. Dr. Hair has been engaged by the Radner tourist agency to conduct the party, and he will be assisted by Mrs. Hair. They will be away about one month. This party is similar to one conducted by the same agency several weeks ago, which included a large number of Bamberg people. The itinerary includes stops at all of the important points along the route. Dr. and Mrs. Hair receive a free trip and a neat sum of money for conducting the party.

pretty shoes they must have. And dresses. And anything else they want. Lord bless 'em. Amen. Mr. Merchant, I know as much about shoe stores as I do about the khedive of Cairo, but if you don't sell everything the people of Bamberg want to buy, how do you expect them to spend their money here? If they must go to Augusta or Columbia or Charleston to get a pair of those charming slippers, they are sure to spend money for something else.

And there is another thing I want to say, and I hate to do it, but while I am on the subject I will say it. When a man wants to outfit himself he has to visit about a half dozen stores to get everything he wants. The ladies are treated better. We have some perfectly lovely ladies' stores, but the men—nix. Carry too many lines. Too general. Don't specialize. Not that it bothers me. Not in the least. I don't outfit. Haven't got the money; if I had it, am past that stage. But we are talking about keeping money at home. Anyway I am willing to be inconvenienced in order to leave my cash at home. I will then get some of it back. But, lots of people are not so considerate—pardon the personal bouquet. It's a fact, though.

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### SPECIAL NOTICES.

Advertisements Under This Head 25c. For 25 Words or Less.

For Sale—See L. B. Fowler, agent, for sash, doors, blinds, moulding, etc. Bamberg, S. C. tf

For Sale—Pigeons. Colored Homers \$1.50 pair; White Homers \$2.00 pair. Squabs, 2 for 35c. J. J. CLECKLEY. tf

For Sale—500 bushels of Fulghum Oats for sale. These were made at the rate of 50 bushels to the acre. Apply to F. W. FREE, Bamberg, S. C.

Wanted—300 bushels good ear corn, delivered at Bamberg. Will buy for cash from the lowest bidder. Will buy in any quantity. L. P. McMILLAN, Supervisor. 7-1